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A bloodmobile nurse adjusts equipment during last week's on-campuw drive when over 100 students donated to the Ohlone reserve fund. The blood collected is credited with saving one little girl who was severely burned, three people that were in an accident this past weekend, two elderly persons who had suffered strokes and one hemophiliac — all persons brought into Washington Hospital over last weekend. This was pointed out in a letter to Al Valdez, leader of the Minority Students Alliance, which sponsored the drive.

Ad hoc committee proposed

Controversy hits at KOHL

Are the problems at Ohlone's radio station, KOHL, on their way to being solved or not?

Before Tuesday afternoon the problems appeared to be building to a head but according to some of the student broadcasters the situation looks bright now, after a discussion of the problems in the Programming and Production class taught by Roy Hurst, station manager.

The class was set up last year to provide a lab situation during which Hurst and student broadcasters could work on station planning, according to Dr. Niel McCallum, director of arts and sciences.

After rumors were passed that recent class meetings have resulted in "shouting matches" the Monitor requested permission to attend Tuesday's session. However, this was refused by Hurst.

Hurst's reasons were, "It is a class and not a meeting, and I would like to run it like a class without any outsie disturbances."

Robin Rogers, one of the student broadcasters who attended the meeting, says he is amazed at the improvement made at Tuesday's discussion.

Hurst also indicated that the discussion may lead to a solution of the dissention at the station.

The problem was brought to light last week when some student broadcasters complained that they were not given enough opportunity to assume responsibility for programming at the station.

In another turn of events John Baker, counselor and adviser to student government, indicated his interest in the radio station situation.

In a memo dated Monday to the involved parties he said, "Some students are beginning to call the station KROY (in reference to Roy Hurst) believing that Hurst claims that is is his station and what he says goes!"

The memo is addressed to Dr. William Richter, dean of instruction, and Dr. McCallum. Copies were sent to Hurst and other concerned persons on campus, including the Monitor.

Baker's memo also points out that Hurst has put in many long hours of work and energy, without pay, to develop the situation, but students are having a hard time relating to his needs

Baker would like to see some action taken and requests the following:

- "The situation be investigated in depth by an ad hoc committee, composed of faculty, students and administrators appointed by the dean of instruction.
- Facts collected by the ad hoc committee by sorted out so that problem areas in the operation can be tagged.
- The committee be allowed to resolve problem areas with Mr. Hurst and students and further develop future guidelines and goals for the station."

Semester proponents talk among faculty

The prospect of scrapping Ohlone's quarter system is becoming a popular issue with faculty members. Recognizing inadaquacies within the present quarter system, the idea of adopting a semester system seems an improvement over our present format.

A survey conducted two years ago by Asst. Prof. Walt Halland served as the initiative sparking debate over the issue among staff members.

No formal "semester committee" has been formed as of yet, but Halland feels the question of whether or not to modify the existing quarter system merits study.

The whole issue, however, is subject to debate, influenced especially by faculty interest, and personal opinion. Change to the semester or another alternative system has both positive as well as negative qualities.

Most community colleges in the state have adopted the semester system. However, roughly half of the state universities and all university of California institutions have adopted the quarter system.

This represents a possible transfer of credit problem for students as well as other problems encountered by re-evaluating units, scheduling, and

The main argument of some faculty members, who are proponents of change, rests on the position that a semester system would simplify paperwork and ease pressures imposed on the faculty and staff.

For example, instructors would need to prepare lectures, administer exams, and process schedules only twice instead of three times per year.

Student Activities Adviser John Baker believes the issue is a fundamental problem of faculty and students, but also feels that more pressing campus problems need to be solved.

If the change is implemented, Baker speculates, a semester system would be in a non-traditional sense, perhaps a 4-1-4 or a tri-mester approach currently being used by some progressive schools.